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SUBJ: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY

REF: STATE 175164

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONNAIRE CONTAINED REFTEL FOLLOWS:

ITEM - FY-76 - FY-77 - PROPOSED FY-78

A. DEPT OF STATE

1. OFFICE OF CHIEF OF MISSION

- A. OPERATING COST - 339,251 - 405,615 - 410,345
- B. NUMBER OF US FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICERS - 2 - 2 - 2
- C. NUMBER OF US FOREIGN SERVICE STAFF - 3 - 2 - 2
- D. NUMBER OF LOCAL EMPLOYEES - 2 - 3 - 3

2. POLITICAL SECTION

- A. OPERATING COST - 25,951 - NIL - NIL
- B. NUMBER OF US FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICERS - 1 - P - 0
- C. NUMBER OF US FOREIGN SERVICE STAFF - 0 - 0 - 0
- D. NUMBER OF LOCAL EMPLOYEES - 0 - 0 - 0

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3A. ECONOMIC SECTION

- A. OPERATING COST - 235,786 - 196,279 - 193,829
- B. NUMBER OF US FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICERS - 3 - 3 - 3
- C. NUMBER OF US FOREIGN SERVICE STAFF - 2 - 1 - 1
- D. NUMBER OF LOCAL EMPLOYEES - 0 - 0 - 0

3B. COMMERCIAL SECTION

A. OPERATING COST - 302,015 - 301,487 - 298,604
B. NUMBER OF US FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICERS - 2 - 2 - 2
C. NUMBER OF US FOREIGN SERVICE STAFF - 0 - 0 - 0
D. NUMBER OF LOCAL EMPLOYEES - 7 - 6 - 6

4A. CONSULAR SECTION

A. OPERATING COST - 321,581 - 266,099 - 264,206
B. NUMBER OF FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICERS - 2.9 - 2 - 2
C. NUMBER OF US FOREIGN SERVICE STAFF - 0 - 0 - 0
D. NUMBER OF LOCAL EMPLOYEES - 7.8 - 6 - 6

4B. EMBASSY'S CONSULAR BRANCH OFFICE, GENEVA

A. OPERATING COST - 20,963 - 76,604 - 74,786
B. NUMBER OF US FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICERS - 0.1 - 1 - 1
C. NUMBER OF US FOREIGN SERVICE STAFF - 0 - 0 - 0
D. NUMBER OF LOCAL EMPLOYEES - 02. - 2 - 2

4C. CONSULATE GENERAL, ZURICH

OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL OFFICER

A. OPERATING COST - 134,060 - 135,565 - 143,945
B. NUMBER OF US FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICERS - 1 - 1 - 1
C. NUMBER OF US FOREIGN SERVICE STAFF - 0 - 0 - 0
D. NUMBER OF LOCAL EMPLOYEES - 1 - 1 - 1

POLITICAL SECTION

A. OPERATING COST - 95,372 - 84,046 - 108,881
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B. NUMBER OF US FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICERS - 1 - 1 - 1
C. NUMBER OF US FOREIGN SERVICE STAFF - 1 - 1 - 1
D. NUMBER OF LOCAL EMPLOYEES - 0 - 0 - 0

ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL SECTION

A. OPERATING COST - 93,927 - 88,842 - 117,563
B. NUMBER OF US FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICERS - 1 - 1 - 1
C. NUMBER OF US FOREIGN SERVICE STAFF - 0 - 0 - 0
D. NUMBER OF LOCAL EMPLOYEES - 2 - 2 - 2

CONSULAR SECTION

A. OPERATING COST - 157,808 - 168,063 - 222,773
B. NUMBER OF US FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICERS - 2 - 2 - 2
C. NUMBER OF US FOREIGN SERVICE STAFF - 0 - 0 - 0
D. NUMBER OF LOCAL EMPLOYEES - 4 - 4 - 4

ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

A. OPERATING COST - 112,275 - 94,214 - 117,241
B. NUMBER OF US FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICERS - 0 - 0 - 0
C. NUMBER OF US FOREIGN SERVICE STAFF - 0 - 0 - 0
D. LOCAL EMPLOYEES - 3 - 3 - 3

5. ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

A. OPERATING COST - 625,906 - 672,998 - 637,954

B. NUMBER OF US FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICERS/CORE - 2 - 2 - 2

C. NUMBER OF US FOREIGN SERVICE STAFF:

REGULAR CORE - 5 - 5 - 5

DAS - 1 - 0 - 0

MARINE GUARDS - 6 - 6 - 6

D. NUMBER OF LOCAL EMPLOYEES:

CORE - 11 - 12 - 12

DAS - 6 - 6 - 6

6. OTHER SECTIONS: N/A

B. OTHER AGENCIES

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7. AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT - N/A

8. UNITED STATES INFORMATION AGENCY

A. OPERATING COST - 143,824 - 151,987 - 151,622

B. NUMBER OF US FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICERS - 0 - 1 - 1

C. NUMBER OF US FOREIGN SERVICE STAFF - 0 - 0 - 0

D. NUMBER OF LOCAL EMPLOYEES - 3 - 2 - 2

9. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ATTACHE

A. OPERATING COST - 380,631 - 454,303 - 435,476

B. NUMBER OF OFFICERS - 2 - 2 - 2

C. NUMBER OF MILITARY AND CIVILIAN STAFF - 9 - 9 - 9

D. NUMBER OF LOCAL EMPLOYEES - 2 - 2 - 2

10. AGRICULTURAL ATTACHE

A. OPERATING COST - 163,838 - 189,711 - 207,682

B. NUMBER OF US FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICERS - 1 - 1 - 1

C. NUMBER OF US FOREIGN SERVICE STAFF - 0 - 0 - 0

D. NUMBER OF LOCAL EMPLOYEES - 2 - 2 - 2

11. DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION: N/A

12. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE/FBI

A. OPERATING COST - 100,193 - 97,235 - 100,030

B. NUMBER OF US FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICERS - 1 - 1 - 1

C. NUMBER OF US FOREIGN SERVICE STAFF - 1 - 1 - 1

D. NUMBER OF LOCAL EMPLOYEES - 0 - 0 - 0

13. UNIMPROVED REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE US GOVT: NONE

14. IMPROVED REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE US GOVT: ONE

A. ITEM: RESIDENTIAL ONE-FAMILY HOUSE.

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LOCATION: BERN, SWITZERLAND, 14 TAUBENSTRASSE. DOWNTOWN
IN RESIDENTIAL/OFFICE BLDG AREA.
USE: AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE
PROPERTY SQUARE FEET: 158,886
GROSS SQUARE FEET: 19,874
NET SQUARE FEET: 14,427
FAIR MARKET VALUE: DOLS 2,672,600
DESCRIPTION: LARGE RESIDENCE CONSTRUCTED IN 1910 AND PURCHASED
BY US GOVT IN 1947 AT COST OF DOLS 132,000.

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B. OCCUPANT: AMB
AGENCY: POSITION/GRADE: STATE/AMB - NC
OCCUPANTS CHARGES/FEEES: N/A
ANNUAL MAINTENANCE EXPENSES: DOLS 28,744

15. REAL PROPERTY LEASED FOR A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS OR MORE: 18

A.

ITEM - LOCATION- DESCRIPTION - AMT SQ FT GROUNDS - AMTS SQ FT
GROSS - AMT SQ FT NET - LENGTH OF LEASE

1. OFFICE BLDG - 93/95 JUBILAEUMSTRASSE, BERN - STUCCO BLDG,
COMPRISING OF 5 FLOORS INCL BASEMENT WITH 91 OFFICE ROOMS.
NINE GARAGES IN BUILDING AND SIX GARAGES IN TWO ANNEX

GARAGE BLDGS. LARGE COURTYARD AND FAIR SIZE GROUND LOT. -
23,175 - 22,100 - 20,803 - 5/1/53 THRU 12/31/83, W/OPTION TO
RENEW THROUGH 12/32/93

2. WARE HOUSE - 42 UFERWEG, BERN - BRICK BLDG, 3 FLLORS USED FOR
FOR STORAGE OF OFFICE AND HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE - NIL - 9,453 -
7,698 - 2/1/76 THRU 6/30/81

3. HOUSE, ONE FAMILY - 10 MARIENSTRASSE, BERN - SANDSTONE STUCCO
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BLDG ON SMALL LOT OF GROUNDS WITH 11 LIVING/BED ROOMS, 2 FULL
AND 3 HALF BATHROOMS. ON 3 FLOORS - 7,723 - 8,800 - 6,682 -
12/1/62 THRU 6/30/79

4. APT - 67 RABBENTALSTRASSE, BERN - STUCCO BLDG MULTIFAMILY
HOUSE, 6 LIVING ROOMS, 2 FULL BATHROOMS AND ONE HALF BATH -
2,241 - 2,241 - 1,907 - 5/15/68 THRU 4/30/78

5. HOUSE ONE FAMILY - 12 SCHILDKNECHTSTRASSE, BERN - STUCCO BLDG
ON SMALL LOT WITH 8 LIVING/BED ROOMS, 1 FULL AND 2 HALF BATHROOMS.
ON THREE FLOORS - 4,951 - 3,964 - 3,073 - 7/1/71 THRU 6/30/80

6. HOUSE, ONE FAMILY - 7 KOCHERWEG, GUEMLIGEN, BERN - STUCCO BLDG
ON SMALL LOT OF GROUNDS WITH 6 LIVING/BEDROOMS, ONE FULL AND
ONE HALF BATHROOM. ON TWO FLLORS - 6,781 - 3,206 - 2,644 -
7/1/65 THRU 6/30/78

7. APT - 197, SEFTIGENSTRASSE, WABERN, BERN - STUCCO MULTI
FAMILY HOUSE. 5 LIVING/BED ROOMS. 1 FULL AND 1 HALF BATHROOM. -
NIL - 1,687 - 1,506 - 12/15/75 THRU 10/31/80

8. HOUSE, ONE FAMILY - 32 MAYGUTSTRASSE, WABERN, BERN -
STUCCO BLDG ON FAIR SIZE LOT OF GROUNDS. 6 LIVING/BEDROOMS.
1 FULL AND 1 HALF BATHROOM. ON TWO FLOORS - 9,348 - 3,009 - 2,006 -
1/1/66 THRU 12/31/78

9., 10., & 11. - 49 MOTTASTRASSE, BERN - STUCCO MULTI
FAMILY BLDG. EACH W/THREE LIVING/BEDROOMS AND FULL BATHROOM. ON
FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD FLOOR. - NIL - 4,492 - 3,84 -
TWO 8/1/68 THRU 6/30/78 AND ONE 3/1/74 THRU 6/30/78

12. APT - 14 BEETHOVENSTRASSE, MURI, BERN - STUCCO MULTIFAMILY
HOUSE. 6 LIVING/BEDROOMS WITH 1 FULL AND 1 HALF BATHROOM. ON
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SECOND FLOOR. - NIL - 1,615 - 1,482 - 6/1/74 THRU 4/30-79

13 HOUSE, ONE FAMILY - 45 HELVETIASTRASSE, BERN - STUCCO ROWBLDG.
ON SMALL LOT OF GROUNDS. 8 LIVING/BED ROOMS, 2 FULL BATHROOMS AND
3 HALF BATHROOMS. ON THREE FLOORS. - 2,917 - 5,565 -3,918 -
2/1/66 THRU 4/30/78

14. APT - 19 THUNSTRASSE, BERN - STUCCO MULTIFAMILY HOUSE.
5 LIVING/BEDROOMS, ONE FULL AND ONE HALF BATHROOM. ON 4TH AND
5TH FLOOR. - NIL - 2,534 - 2,009 - 12/15/75 THRU 10/31/80
15. OFFICE BLDG - 141 ZOOLLIKERSTRASSE, ZURICH - CONCRETE/
SHINGLE METAL BUILDING. TWO TOP FLOORS WITH 26 OFFICE ROOMS AND
TWO LARGE BALCONIES. ONE UNDER-GROUND AND ONE OUTDOOR PARKING
SPACE. - NIL - 14,031 - 12,681 - 6/27/75 THRU 5/31/90

16. HOUSE, ONE FAMILY - 7 HALDENSTRASSE, ERLENBACH, ZURICH -
STUCCO BLDG ON LARGER SIZE LOT OF GROUNDS, 9 LIVING/BED
ROOMS. 3 FULL AND 3 HALF BATHROOMS. ON TWO FLOORS. - 19,375 -
7,380 - 5,913 - 11/1/71 THRU 10/31/80

17. HOUSE, ONE FAMILY - 70 ALTE BERNSTRASSE, RUEFENACHT, BERN -
STUCCO BLDG ON LARGE SIZE LOT OF GROUNDS. 8 LIVING/BEDROOMS,
1 FULL AND 1 HALF BATHROOM. ON ONE FLOOR. - 17,222 - 6,887 -
6,451 - 10/1/76 THRU 9/30/81

18 APT - CASTLE OF WORB - BRICK AND STUCCO BLDG. 8 LIVING/BEDROOMS,
3 FULL BATHROOMS, PART IN MAIN BLDG, AND PART IN KNIGHTS TOWER.
- NIL - 6,613 - 3,955 - 7/1/63 THRU 6/30/78

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ANNUAL COST LEASE - ANNUAL MAINTENANCE EXPENSES - OCCUPANT(S)
AGENCY/POS/ GRADE - OCCUPANT(S) CHARGE/FEEES

1. 83,257 - 94,280 - STATE, EMBASSY CHANCERY BLDG - N/A

2. 4,568 - 240 - STATE, WAREHOUSE - N/A

3. 16,478 - 6,676 - STATE, DCM, O-2 - N/A

4. 8,823 - 960 - STATE, ECON OFFICER, O-4 - N/A

5. 8,193 - 1,620 - STATE, ADMIN OFFICER, O-4 - N/A

6. 7,422 - 1,676 - STATE, CONSULAR OFFICER, O-6 - N/A

7. 6,094 - 907 - STATE, ADMIN SPECIALIST, R-7 - N/A

8. 6,943 - 1,609 - STATE, COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT OFFICER,
R-7 - N/A

9. 4,171 - 530 - STATE, TRANSIENT QUARTERS - N/A
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10. - 3,966 - 660 - STATE, ECON OFFICER, R-7, - N/A

11. 4,171 - 610 - STATE, COM SECRETARY, S-4, N/A

12. - 5,877 - 871 - STATE, NCOIC MARINES, E-7 - N/A

13. - 12,095 - 4,103 - STATE, MARINE GUARD DETACHMENT - N/A

14. - 7,695 - 1,345 - STATE, TRANSIENT QURTERS - N/A

15. - 81,315 - 24,134 - STATE, OFFICES OF CONSULATE GENERAL,
ZURICH - N/A

16. - 24,769 - 7,040 - STATE, PRINCIPAL OFFICER, ZURICH,
O-3 - N/A

17. 10,943 - 3,127 - USIA, CONSELOR FOR PUBLIC AFFAIRS, IO-3
- N/A

18. 12,060 - 1,621 - AGRIC, AGRIC ATTACHE, GS-14 - N/A

16. REAL PROPERTY LEASED FOR A PERIOD OF LESS THAN THREE YEARS:

NONE.

17 AMB'S RESIDENCE

ITEM - FY77 - FY76 - FY75 - FY74 - FY73

A. EXPENSES

OPERATING - 10,714 - 9,823 - 9,310 - 7,762 - 5,099

MAINTENANCE - 20,970 - 10,625 - 16,310 - 12,391 - 7,217

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REFURNISHING - 41,860 - 15,000 - 10,000 - 5,000 - 4,000

REMODELING - NIL - NIL - 36,340 - 184,890 - NIL

B. SUPPLEMENTAL EXPENSE: N/A

DCM RESIDENCE

A. EXPENSES

OPERATING - 2,300 - 2,675 - 2,112 - 2,217 - 1,341

MAINTENANCE - 2,396 - 2,253 - 3,695 - 2,037 - 1,518

REFURNISHING - 9,830 - 8,667 - 9,207 - 8,169 - 6,873

REMODELING - NIL - NIL - NIL - NIL - NIL

B. SUPPLEMENTAL EXPENSE: N/A

18. HOUSING UNITS PROVIDED EMPLOYEES: 14

19. NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES NOT PROVIDED HOUSING:

GRADE - NUMBER

O-3 - 2

O-4 - 3

O-5 - 3

O-6 - 1

R-7 - 2

S-4 - 1

S-6 - 1

S-7 - 1

S-8 - 1

20. OFFICIAL RESIDENCE ALLOWANCES: FY77

GRADE - NUMBER - AMOUNT OF ALLOWANCE

AMB-NC - 1 - 56,700

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O-2 - 1 - 17,500

O-3 - 1 - 4,700

21. RELATED SUPPORT PROVIDED TO EMPLOYEES USING GOVT FURNISHED HOUSING:

ITEM - UTILITIES - FURNITURE - PROPERTY MAINTENANCE -
FURNISHINGS MAINTENANCE - GARDEN/GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

CHIEF OF MISSION - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100

DCM - 100 - 100 - * - 100 - 100

HEADS OF OTHER GOVT AGENCIES - 100 - NIL - * - NIL - 100

ALL OTHER - 100 - 100 - * - NIL - NIL

IF REPAIRS TO LEASED REAL PROPERTY ARE COVERED UP TO AMOUNTS OF APPROX DOLS 22 EACH ITEM REQUIRING REPAIRS. ADDITIONAL COSTS ARE BORN BY PROPERTY OWNERS.

22. RELATED SUPPORT GIVEN TO EMPLOYEES NOT ELIGIBLE FOR GOVT OWNED OR LEASED HOUSING:

ADMIN PROVIDES FULL SUPPORT INFINDING SUITABLE
QUARTERS, ESPECIALLY IN NEGOTIATING LEASES WITH LANDLORDS.
ASSISTS AND PROVIDES HELP AND ACVICE IN CASE OF REPAIRS, ETC.
PROVIDES FULL ASSISTANCE TO TERMINATE AND RELINQUISH QUARTERS,
ESPECIALLY IN CONNECTION WITH POSSIBLE DAMAGE CLAIMS BY
OWNERS. OCCASIONALLY LENDS SURPLUS OF FURNITURE,WHEN AVAILABLE.

23 MAN-YEARS EMBASSY PERSONNEL DEVOTE ANNUALLY TO HOUSING
MANAGEMENT AND MAINTENANCE

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HOUSING MAINTENANCE 2.4

24. HOUSING SUPPORT TO BE FURNISHED BY THE DEPT OF STATE:

WE BELIEVE SUPPORT PROVIDED BY DEPT OF STATE, AS DESCRIBED
IN 21 AND 22 AGOVE, IS APPROPRIATE.

25. VIRTUALLY ALL LEASES ARE INDEXED. SWISS LANDLORDS DO NOT
RECOGNIZE THE CONCEPT OF "FAIR WEAR AND TEAR" TO ANYWHERE
NEAR THE EXTENT THAT AMERICAN LANDLORDS DO. MOST SWISS LEASES
DO NOT HAVE DIPLOMATIC CLAUSES AND THE TENANT MAY BE RE-
QUIRED TO GIVE UP TO SIX MONTHS NOTICE BEFORE MOVING.D.

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26. PROBABLY NOT SINCE SWISS PROPERTY IS FAR MORE EX-
PENSIVE THAN COMPARABLE AMERICAN PROPERTY. SWISS LANDLORDS
ARE SATISFIED WITH A RETURN OF FOUR TO FIVE PERCENT OF THE
CURRENT VALUE OF THEIR PROPERTY. HOWEVER, IN VIEW OF THE
PERMANENCE AND STABILITY OF OUR DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH
THE SWISS, A GOOD CASE COULD BE MADE FOR A MORE
REPRESENTATIONAL OWNED CHANCERY.

27. A) 10
B) NONE

28. JOB TITLES AND GRADES FOR ALL EMPLOYEES ACCORDED
DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR STATUS:

JOB TITLES - GRADE:

AMB - AMB-NC

DCM - O-2
CONSELOR FOR POL/ECONOMIC/COMMERICAL AFFAIRS - O-3
PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICER - IO-3
COMMERCIAL OFFICER - O-3
CONSULAR OFFICER - O-4
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ECON/COMMERICAL OFFICER - O-4
ADMIN OFFICER - O-4
COMMERICAL OFFICER - O-5
ADMIN SPECIALIST - R-7
ECON/COMMERCIAL OFFICER - R-7
DEFENSE AND ARMY ATTACHE - COLONEL
AIR ATTACHE - LT COLONEL
AGRIC ATTACHE - GS-4
LEGAL ATTACHE - GS-14
PRINCIPAL OFFICER, ZURICH - O-3
POL OFFICER, ZURICH - R-4
ECON/COMMERICAL OFFICER, ZURICH - O-5
CONSULAR OFFICER, ZURICH - R-7
CONSULAR OFFICER, ZURICH - O-4

29. JOB TITLES AND GRADES FOR ALL EMPLOYEES NOT ACCORDED
DIP OR CONSULAR STATUS:

JOB TITLE - GRADE

SECRETARY - S-4
SECRETARY - S-6
SECRETARY - S-6
COMMUNICATIONS AND RECORDS OFFICER - S-4
SUPPORT COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER - R-7
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT OFFICER - S-6
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT OFFICER - S-8
NCOIC, MARINE GUARDS - GYSGT
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MARINE GUARD - SGT
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SECRETARY - GS-8
ADM ASST DAO - TSGT
ADMIN TECHNICIAN DAO - MSGT
COMMUNICATIONS ASST, DAO - GS-9
COMMUNICATIONS ASST, DAO - GS-11
SECRETARY/BIL-LINGUAL RESEARCH - GS-4
SECRETARY - GS-6
SECRETARY - S-7

30. DIP AND CONSULAR OFFICERS HAVE IDENTICAL PRIVILEGES.
THE ONLY DIFFERENCE OF SIGNIFICANT NOTE BETWEEN OFFICERS AND
STAFF IS THAT OFFICERS CAN BUY TAX-FREE GASOLINE. PERSONAL
VEHICLES AND OTHER PERSONAL PROPERTY OF OFFICERS CAN BE SOLD
TAX-FREE AFTER THREE YEARS, WHILE STAFF MUST WAIT FIVE YEARS.

HOWEVER, THIS SITUATION IS NOT VERY ONEROUS SINCE SWISS TAXES ARE LOW AND THEY ARE PRO-RATED FOR EACH YEARS OF RESIDENCE. STAFF HAVE INITIAL FREE ENTRY PRIVILEGES FOR ONLY ONE YEAR, WHILE DIPLOMATS ENJOY THIS PRIVILEGE THROUGHOUT THEIR TOURS. THE EMBASSY, HOWEVER, HAS FOUND INTERNAL MEANS TO ENSURE THAT STAFF MAY IMPORT ARTICLES FOR THEIR OWN USE THROUGHOUT THEIR TOURS.

31. EMPLOYEES PROVIDED HOUSEHOLD STAFF:

TITLE - GRADE - NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLD STAFF- ANNUAL COST

COM - CM - 6 - 56,150

DCM - O-2 - 2 - 16,900

PO - O-3 - 1 - 5,100

31. LOCAL BANK ACCOUNTS: 1.

NAME OF ACCOUNT - PURPOSE - BALANCE AS OF 6/30/77 - DEPOSITORY

US DISBURSING OFFICER, REGIONAL FINANCE CENTER, PARIS, FRANCE,
ACCT 3009 - LOCAL DEPOSITORY ACCT - SWISS FRANCS 643,264, EQUI-
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VALENT DOLS 259,988 (RATE OF EXCHANGE: 2.4742.) - SWISS NATIONAL
BANK, BERN.

EXPLANATIONS

1. GENERAL

EXCHANGE RATES:
REQUIREMENTS PAYABLE IN SWISS FRANCS REFLECT THE FOLLOWING EX-
CHANGE RATES:

A. FY76: ACTUAL AVERAGE RATE OF SWISS FRANCS 2.595 TO DOLS ONE.

B. FY77: ESTIMATED AVERAGE RATE OF SF 2.492.

C. FY78: ESTIMATED EXCHANGE RATE OF SF 2.542, REPRESENTING
THE RATE AS OF MARCH 31, 1977. THE USE OF THIS RATE WAS
SPECIFICALLY REQUIRED IN THE DEPTS BUDGET IN-
STRUCTIONS FOR FY78. HOWEVER, THE EMBASSY WISHES TO EMPHA-
SIZE THAT THE SWISS FRANC RATE RECENTLY APPRECIATED CONSID-
ERABLY:

AVERAGE RATE JUNE 1977: SF 2.4918; HIGH SF 2.506, LOW 2.4732.

AVERAGE RATE JULY 77: SF 2.414; HIGH SF 2.472, LOW 2.3852.

IT FOLLOWS THAT, SHOULD THE EXCHANGE RATE REMAIN AT THE PRESENT
LOW LEVEL, FY78 SWISS FRANCS REQUIREMENTS INCLUDED IN THE
FY78 BUDGET AND REFLECTED IN THIS PRESENTATION (CONVERTED
AT SF 2.542), WILL REQUIRE ADJUSTMENTS (INCREASE).

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2. IN REPLY TO QUESTIONS A& B, 1 THROUGH 12:

POSITIONS:

A. INCUMBENT OF POSITION OF POL OFFICER IN FY76 SPENT
40 PERCENT FOR STATE AND 60 PERCENT FOR USIA ACTIVITIES.
WITH THE ASSIGNMENT OF A USIA PAO, THE POL OFFICER
POSITION WAS ABOLISHED WITH THE DEPARTURE OF THE INCUMBENT ON
JULY 22, 1976. SINCE THEN, POL ACTIVITIES ARE
HANDLED BY THE CONSULOR FOR POL, ECON AND
COMMERCIAL AFFAIRS, WHOSE POSITION IS INCLUDED IN THE CON
SECTION FOR FY77 AND FY 78.

B. POSITIONS OF O1 FOR AMERICAN OFFICER AND O2 FOR
LOCALS LISTED UNDER PARA 4B FOR FY 76 RELATE TO THE
OPENING OF THE EMBASSY CONSULAR BRANCH OFFICE, LOCATED
WITH THE US MISSION AT GENEVA, IN MAY 76.

C. LOCAL POSITIONS SHOWN IN PARA A-1-D INCLUDE THE COM
RESIDENCE GARDENER AND THE COM CHAUFFEUR.
OPERATING COSTS CONTAINED HEREIN REFLECT:

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A. AMERICAN SALARIES, CHARGED TO WASHINGTON ALLOTMENTS, AT NET PER ANNUM RATES EXCLUDING EMPLOYER'S CONTRIBUTIONS FOR FOREIGN/CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT, LIFE AND HEALTH INSURANCE.

B. PROGRAM DN FAAS S&E FUNDS ALLOTTED FOR FY76 ANF FY77, AND REQUESTS CONTAINED IN FY78 FIELD BUDGET/ESTIMATES; REDUCED BY THOSE FAAS COST ATTRIBUTABLE AND DISTRIBUTED TO OTHER AGENCIES SERVICED AT THIS POST.

USIA

A. AMERICAN SALARIES CHARGED TO WASHINGTON ALLOTMENT, AT NET PER ANNUM RATE EXCLUDING EMPLOYER'S CONTRIBUTIONS.

B. GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSE ALLOTMENT FOR FY76 AND FY77 AND BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR FY78, EXCLUDING MEDIA SUPPORT FROM USIA/WASH.

C. SHARE OF FAAS COST.

AGRIC

A. GENERAL OPERATING ALLOTMENTS FOR FY76 AND FY 77, AND BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR FY78; AMERICAN SALARY AND EMPLOYER'S CONTRIBUTIONS SINCE INCLUDED IN ALLOTMENTS.

B. ALLOTMENTS FOR FY76 AND FY77 FOR MARKET DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES IN SWITZERLAND (FOOD SHOWS, HOTEL EXHIBITS, ETC.) AND ESTIMATE FOR FY78.

C. SHARE OF FAAS COST.

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DEFENSE

A. POST ALLOTMENTS FOR BOTH THE DAO AND DSCG SECTIONS; AMERICAN SALARY COSTS INCOUDE EMPLOYER'S CONTRIBUTIONS. ALL FIGURES AS SUPPLIED BY DEFENSE ATTACHE.

B. SHARE OF FAAS COST.

JUSTICE

FIGURES SUPPLIED BY LEGAL ATTACHE.
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